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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL, SUBMITTED WITH RCE UNDER 37 CFR §1.114(d)

MAIL STOP AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed on 11/28/2006 for the above-identified patent application, please consider the following amendments and remarks hereby submitted with an accompanying Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR §1.114(d), and payment of the fee therefore under 37 CFR §1.17(e), and an accompanying terminal disclaimer under 37 CFR §1.321(c), and fee therefore under 37 CFR §1.20(d).

Amendments to the **Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.